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ENIGMA MACHINE

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2018

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, seventy-seven years ago this week the Allied forces made a decisive discovery in their war against the fascist Nazi regime.

Throughout the early part of the war, Hitler had the Allies on the defensive.

He marched his armies all the way to British Channel, conquering country after country.

Using the Enigma machine—widely considered completely unbreakable—the Nazis secretly transmitted messages about military operations across the continent and to every front of the war.

But on July 9, 1941, after years of tireless effort, the Allies finally cracked the code.

They began intercepting German communications with increasing frequency, marking a turning point in the war.

The Allies could now avoid enemy traps, prepare for invasions, and attack weak-spots in Nazi lines.

So today, Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize those who dedicated themselves to breaking the Enigma code, including the brilliant British mathematician Alan Turing.

I would also thank the Allied Military including the U.S. Navy for capturing these Enigma Machines so the code could be broken.

These men and women saved countless Allied lives and helped free Europe and protect the world.

And that's just the way it is.

TRIBUTE TO JANE AND RUSS HENRY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Jane and Russ Henry of Winterset, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHIEF LEE HOWELL

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2018

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the public service of Police Chief Lee Howell and thank him for his service to the greater Denton Community. Chief Howell has led the Denton Police Department since 2011. However, his service to Denton extends throughout his 37-year law enforcement career.

Chief Howell has fostered goodwill and civility between the Denton Police Department and local political and civic groups, elected officials, and the public. As our region grows, he has helped the police department expand to meet new needs.

During his tenure, Chief Howell has been responsible for enforcing the law, keeping the peace, and maintaining the safety of citizens. He has overseen the biannual Denton Police Academy that produced trained officers who now serve throughout the North Texas region.

It is my great privilege to recognize Chief Howell for his service, leadership, and commitment to excellence. Chief Howell's expertise and leadership will be missed by the greater Denton community. On behalf of the 26th District, I congratulate him as he starts a new leadership role as Chief of Police in Saginaw, Texas.

TRIBUTE TO PATRICIA AND KENNETH WRIGHT

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Patricia and Kenneth Wright of Underwood, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 14, 1958.

Patricia and Kenneth's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE VILLAGE OF ESPERANCE

HON. JOHN J. FASO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2018

Mr. FASO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the bicentennial anniversary of the

founding of the Village of Esperance, New York and to recognize two hundred years of faithful and distinguished service by the Esperance Volunteer Fire Department.

For two hundred years, the Village of Esperance has contributed to the American story, weaving together a diverse community, cultivating a strong civil society, and fostering a resilient fire department. Situated on the north bank of the Schoharie Creek, Esperance is the oldest incorporated village in Schoharie county, and the fifth oldest incorporated Village in New York State.

Formerly known as "State Bridge" when it was originally settled in the late 18th century, the settlement consisted only of three cabins surrounded by dense forest land. Hermanus Ten Eyck received the land grant in 1739, and allocated about sixty acres of land to be sold as building lots. Mr. Ten Eyck became disappointed by the slow sale of the lots, and eventually sold his land holdings to Gen. William North—a general in the Revolutionary War, U.S. Senator, and Member and Speaker of the New York State Assembly—in 1806. It was Gen. North's daughter that suggested the name "Esperance" for the village.

The name "Esperance," which translates to "hope" in French, truly describes the common thread that runs through its history. Hope has persisted through the nascent years of Esperance's existence, the tribulations of depression and war, and the many great triumphs of American history. The strength and independence that continues to define this town are a result of roots that have grown strong these past two hundred years.

Protecting the village and its treasures has been the job of the Esperance Volunteer Fire Department. For two centuries, brave volunteers from the community have put their lives on the line for their friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens. I commend them for their service and their sacrifice. Additionally, I would like to recognize the Department's place in history as the owner of "Deluge No. 1," the first fire engine owned by the village and the oldest fire engine in America.

This bicentennial anniversary marks a great milestone in Esperance's history, and serves as an important time for reflection. On behalf of the 19th Congressional District and the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation and congratulations to the Village of Esperance and to the firefighters who continue to protect it. As the residents celebrate its 200th birthday, I would like to commend them on the success of their small, vibrant community and wish Esperance continued prosperity in its next 200 years.

TRIBUTE TO DOREEN KNUTH

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Doreen Knuth of Council Bluffs, Iowa for receiving the 2018 Principal of the Year Award given by the Council Bluffs Community School District. Doreen is the principal at Carter Lake Elementary School in Carter Lake, Iowa.

Doreen is a native of Council Bluffs and graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School.